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## MEAT LABOR DAY CELEBRATION

Five Hundred Pascagoula Union Members in Monster Parade Monday Morning.

Monday, Sept. 2, witnessed the greatest labor demonstration staged in Pascagoula or the Mississippi. At a conservative estimate twenty-five hundred workers and other trades union members participated in the monster parade, which formed at Marshall street, led by Scranton Fire Co. brass band, and proceeded down Delmas avenue and down Pascagoula street to the park, where an all-day picnic was held.

Organizations participating in the demonstration and parade were: Carpenters and joiners, machinists, blacksmiths, engineers, structural workers, bridge workers, caulkers, painters, pipe fitters, plumbers, electricians, and retail clerks. All organizations carried banners with the name of their union, and throughout the parade flags, bunting, banners and streamers with patriotic mottoes illustrated the nature of the occasion and the sentiment of the workers.

Thousands of people lined the streets to witness the parade, many from neighboring towns for the occasion. The park was decorated with flags and at night hundreds of electric lights and Japanese lanterns lighted the grounds and buildings. The workers and their families and thousands of other citizens gathered in the park during the day and night. A public speaking program was arranged for the afternoon, same taking place in the Beach Park Casino. H. H. Franck presided and introduced the speakers. Prof. Harrison A. & M. College made a splendid address along patriotic lines and prolonged applause from the audience. Gov. Theo. G. Bilbo, after for congress, was the next speaker. He spoke at length, outlining what he had accomplished during his administration for the benefit of the laboring man and relating many instances throughout his public career wherein he stood loyally for the laboring man.

Other speakers were Mr. W. H. H. of the Carpenters' Union, Hon. Wm. Establian of Gulfport, Mr. C. M. Laurendine of this city, and George Paul B. Johnson, candidate for congress, who also had spoken, wired that his automobile had been down and he was unable to come.

After the speaking a number of prizes and contests for prizes took place. Dancing in the pavilion followed and was enjoyed until a late hour.

## CITY COUNCIL IN REGULAR SESSION.

V. P. DeJean Named as Mayor and F. D. Becht as Clerk—Fire Limit Ordinance Repealed.

The mayor and board of aldermen met in regular session Tuesday night. Alderman V. P. DeJean, mayor pro tem, presiding. Alderman Watts was appointed clerk pro tem, the resignation of Clerk Geo. B. Hague having become effective Sept. 1.

Mr. Olsen, keeper of the beach waterworks, was authorized to cut off the water from mains every night between 10 p. m. and 4 a. m. in order to fill the tank for fire protection. Alderman Nelson was appointed to ascertain if better water supply at beach can be obtained.

A. Baroul was granted permit to build blacksmith shop. Reports of officers were received and filed and a number of claims approved for payment.

The sum of \$1000 was appropriated for use of Public Health Service sanitary work. Alderman Lewis was appointed to confer with U. S. Public Health Service officials in regard to city employing sanitary foreman.

## ANOTHER VESSEL LAUNCHED HERE

The Cawker, Third Vessel Built by Dierks Blodgett Yard, Left Ways Wednesday.

Amid the blowing of whistles and shouting of the multitudes the steamship Cawker, third of the big wooden ships being built for the Emergency Fleet Corporation by the Dierks Blodgett Shipbuilding Co. at Pascagoula, glided gracefully into the waters of the Pascagoula river Wednesday morning at 11:45.

Very simple ceremonies accompanied the launching. Little Miss Mary Bullington, niece of Mrs. D. V. Dierks, broke the bottle of champagne and christened the vessel as it started down the ways. In the stand at the bow of the vessel were some of the officers of the company, their families and guests.

The vessel was decorated with a large American flag which floated proudly from the staff at her bow and a string of the vari-colored flags of international signal code stretched from bow to stern.

The name for the vessel was furnished from Washington and its significance is not known. The Cawker is of the Ferris type, 3500 gross tons, 280 ft. in length, 46 ft. beam and 26 ft. depth of hold. She will be equipped with 1400 h. p. engines and have a speed of ten knots.

## SUPERVISORS' PROCEEDINGS.

County Law Makers Hold Three Days' Session—Tax Levy for 1918 Fixed.

All members and officers present. Report of sheriff relative to prisoners received in August approved. Report of convict foreman for month of August received and approved.

Report of supt. of education for month of August received and approved. Report of county commissioner of agriculture for month of August received and approved.

Report of county agent home economics for August received and approved. Report of county health officer for August received and approved.

Report of county prosecuting attorney for month of August received and approved. Report of ferryman Pascagoula ferry for month of August received and approved.

## DEFENSE COUNCIL NOW ORGANIZED

Citizens Meet at Courthouse Wednesday—Organization Effected with A. F. Dantzer, Chairman.

At a meeting of representative citizens, held at the courthouse Wednesday afternoon, the Jackson County Council of Defense was organized. Mr. A. F. Dantzer of Moss Point was named as permanent chairman and Mr. Jules K. Johnson of Pascagoula as secretary.

Mr. W. S. Fitch, organizer for this district, assisted by Mr. B. C. Cowan of Gulfport, effected the organization. Both gentlemen made short talks outlining the purposes and duties of the council.

Mr. E. B. Martin, chairman of the Self Preservation Loyalty League, acted as temporary chairman of the meeting.

Both Mr. Dantzer and Mr. Johnson were elected by acclamation. These, with the chairman of the Draft Board, Liberty Loan Committee, Food Conservation, Loyalty League, Red Cross and other war committees, make up the permanent governing body of the council.

## FRANK LISCA DIES WOUND.

Italian Ship Rigger Mysteriously Shot on Jackson Avenue Monday Night—Assailant Unknown.

Frank Lisca, an Italian ship rigger and sub-foreman employed at the International Shipyard, was found on Jackson avenue about 8:30 o'clock shot in the back, the bullet penetrating the abdomen.

Albert Sheffield, colored, while passing along the avenue near the colored church, heard groans and on investigating discovered the wounded man. He secured assistance and carried Lisca to Dr. Kell's office, where the bullet was removed and the man sent to the infirmary at Mobile on No. 10. He died early Thursday morning.

The body was brought to Pascagoula Thursday evening, inquest held and burial taking place at Pascagoula cemetery. The verdict of the coroner's jury was that he came to his death from pistol wound at the hands of party unknown. The funeral was in charge of the local Riggers' Union.

The shooting is something of a mystery. Lisca stated to Sheriff Parker that he was walking along the railroad track when he met a negro man, who ordered him to throw up his hands. He thereupon turned around and the negro shot him in the back. He could give no definite description of his assailant.

## REAL ESTATE IN JACKSON COUNTY

Recorded in Chancery Clerk's Office For Week Ending August 30th.

David Mizelle and wife to Mrs. Elizabeth Perry, about 2 acres in 18-7-5, \$75.

Chas. W. Perry et al. to Joseph Barrow about 4 acres in 18-7-5, \$100.

Joe Barrow and wife to Frank J. Cunningham, about 2 acres in 18-7-5, \$100.

Mrs. Charlotte Clark to Russell and Leona Caver, contract for deed to certain lot in town of Ocean Springs on Kotzum and Porter aves. in 30-7-8 for \$1000.